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ANOTHER STEP TAKEN TOWARD ARBITRATION.

Northern Pacific Railway Operations in Quebec—Uncle Sam's Preparations for a Conflict With Chili—Secretary Tracy Offends Brooklyn Republicans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—It is announced that an agreement has been reached with the British Government as to the basis of arbitration in respect to the seal fisheries. The number and powers of the arbitrators are fixed, and it is confidently expected that their appointment and the terms of arbitration will be announced in a few days.

For Chili's Benefit.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Herald's Washington special says: Active preparations for war still continue in the Navy Department. Steps have now been taken to secure the most available vessels in the merchant marine for possible service in Chilian waters. Arrangements have been made in New York and San Francisco to charter, if necessary, from thirty to forty vessels to be used in transportation. Preparations, so far as the regular naval vessels are concerned, have been made as compiete as possible. The Bureau of Naval Intelligence, acting under instructions, has prepared a list of merchant vessels available in case war is declared. An offer from a New York shipowner of a score or more small vessels to carry coal has met with the thanks of the Department, and a request that he hold his vessels so as to have them ready on 24 hours' notice has been made. Naval officials are also looking about in New York for vessels to be used in the torpedo service. It has been reported by them that the most available craft for this service are the fast private yachts of the metropolis. It is urged that these crafts can be very quickly converted into torpedo boats and cruisers, and the belief is expressed that they will prove fully as effective as the torpedo crafts of the Chilian navy. According to naval authorities the weakest point now is a lack of torpedoes. Orders hurrying up the two firms who have contracts for furnishing torpedoes have been issued. The firms have reported that they are bending every energy to furnish the torpedoes as rapidly as the contracts call for them. Activity is also displayed in the War Department. Informal consultations have taken place between army and navy officials as to the co-operation of the two forces in the event of trouble. It has been represented that the army will be able to furnish on short notice 15,000 men for transportation either from San Francisco or Galveston. The naval officials say that fully this number of men will be required. In spite of the extreme measures taken by the army and navy departments the belief that there will be war with Chili grows less and less here. No news has been received to-day from the threatening country, and the finding of Judge Foster is not expected until next week. The general belief is that Chili will yield to the demands of the United States eventually.

A Republican Kick.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The Sun says: Secretary Tracy, of the Navy Department, was in Washington yesterday evening for the purpose of facing the Republicans of King's county, who say the secretary is too much of a civil service reformer to suit them. The kickers have proclaimed for several months that the secretary's policy in the selection of skilled mechanics for appointment in the Brooklyn navy yard have been disadvantageous to the Republicans. The complaints against the secretary were emphasized in some of the Brooklyn yards by the adoption of a resolution denouncing him, and these resolutions are now on file with the King's county general committee. It was arranged that the secretary should meet yesterday afternoon at the offices of Tracy, Bordman and Platt, in the Mills building, a committee of the kickers. This committee included among others Wm. M. Cadmus, John Kissel, Wm. S. Ryan, J. Barrett, R. M. Johnson and Robert Sharkey. They made an afternoon of it, and Gen. Cadmus said later that everything had been arranged to their satisfaction. Secretary Tracy at the Gilsey House last night said: "When I directed that no mechanic should be permanently employed in Brooklyn yard without practical test of his skill I meant just what I said. There is no statute in the civil service requiring me to adopt such a policy. I did it because I wanted business principles to govern the navy yards. I am not looking into who runs the primaries. I want mechanics who are skilled in their work, and unless appointees can stand the tests prescribed they cannot be retained. I do not want shoemakers to build steel ships. Possibly some of the gentlemen who called upon me to-day did not understand that the order originated with me, and had nothing to do with the servil service laws. I think they understand the situation now." "Do you think the conference to-day has healed all differences?" "For the present I should judge so," replied the secretary, "that is, unless the next contingent of kickers appears."

Northern Pacific Operations.

QUEBEC, Dec. 19.—The rumor that the Northern Pacific Railway is quietly securing an interest in existing Canadian railways and in lines now under construction, for the purpose of ultimately controlling an outlet to the Atlantic, is revived by the fact that a number of its officials are interested in the newly constructed Lower Laurentian Railway. They attended the opening of the road in company with the treasurer of the road, John C. Eno, the exiled ex-president of the Second National Bank of New York. Mr. McNaught, counsel of the N.P., is president of the new railway, and another director is Jules Tessier, Eno's most intimate friend in Quebec, through whose influence as a member of the Legislature the profitable subsidy was secured for the railway from the Government. The chief interest attaching to the new line is that this company controls other links of railway and Canadian charters for railways that would make together almost an uninterrupted air line from southwest of Lake Superior to Quebec and the lower St. Lawrence.

"GREEN GOODS" VICTIMS.

Two Greedy and Innocent Countrymen Swindled in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Geo. W. Ames came all the way from Maple Valley to buy some counterfeit money. He reached New York yesterday morning and promptly paid $140 for a brick in a box which the green goods speculators gave him. The box was supposed to be filled with counterfeit money. Ames was proprietor of a sawmill out in Maple Valley. His mill burned down, and when he rebuilt a few weeks ago it was burnt again. Ames was in hard luck and low spirits when a "green goods" circular fell into his hands. He entered into correspondence with the "green goods" men, and following their directions came to New York by the B. & O. road, but before the train reached Jersey City a young man entered the car and then sat down with Ames, remarking as he did so "Churchill No. 8," this being the name the swindlers had sent him by mail. After reaching New York they went by a very roundabout course to a dingy little room, where Ames was introduced to an old man who gave him a bundle of "counterfeit" notes to examine. He negotiated for $1400 of the bills and handed over $140 for it. He watched the old man closely as he packed the rolls of bills in a small pine box. The box was full when Ames was told to write his name and address on a slip of paper. Then a neatly wrapped parcel was given to him and he hugged it under his arm. "Take him to the train," said the old man. "You had better not take him back to the same depot. Our goods are so looked after that the police would like too well to get their clutches on some of them." The messenger took Ames to the Mott Haven station. It was about 11 o'clock yesterday morning when they reached there. Ames bought a ticket to Little Rock. The messenger then suggested a parting drink, and they separated on the best of terms. Then Ames examined his package to find it contained some bricks. Presently a man entered the station with a very similar package under his arm. A shrewd looking young man was guiding him, as Ames had been to the station. In an instant it flashed upon Ames that the countryman was a fellow victim, and he walked up to him and whispered: "You have been duped as I was." The countryman did not understand the warning, but the messenger looked alarmed, and was out of sight when a policeman ran in to see what the noise was. The amazed countryman did not fully comprehend that he had been swindled until he opened his box. It was filled with neatly cut blocks of green paper. The second victim said he was Chas. Nyberg, and that he kept a grocery in Jamestown, N.Y. He had paid $285 for his box full of green paper, and had expected to find $3200 in counterfeit money in it when he got home. The two compared notes and concluded that they had been swindled by the same gang. They were sent down town to tell their adventures to Police Inspector Byrnes.

Affairs in Brazil.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 19.—Congress reassembled to-day. President Peixotto in his message to Congress said that the people of Brazil had, during the events of November, shown their virility and jealous regard for their national liberty, which was threatened by Marshall Da Fonseca. Continuing, Peixotto said that the present duty of Congress was to deal with the existing commercial crisis by taking immediate steps to reorganize the banking system of Brazil. It is estimated that the deficit in the budget for 1890 will be 30,000 cantas of reis. The deficit for the current financial year is said to be high.

The Queen's Rough Voyage.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—The steamer Queen, from Victoria and Puget Sound ports, had a stormy passage. When she was off the coast of Washington heavy seas swept her decks. The deck watch and three sailors were washed against the deck house and badly bruised. The galley was flooded with water and the fires extinguished. The big steamer stood the gale splendidly.

Cyrus W. Field's Condition.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Cyrus W. Field is very little improved this morning. While he is not in immediate danger of death, he is said to be low and takes little nourishment.

PERSONAL.

Movements of Well Known People in Various Directions.

A. C. Fraser, of Cowichan Lake, is in the city.

J. E. Jenkins, of Nanaimo, is at the Orientsl.

Captain Wm. Powers, of Moodyville, is in town.

E. E. Evans, of Vancouver, is registered at the Driard.

Captain H. Fitzstubbs came down from Nelson last evening.

Dr. McGuigan and Thos. McGuigan, of Vancouver, are at the Driard.

J. L. Beckwith leaves for San Francisco by the City of Puebla to-morrow.

Capt. R. E. Palmer and Mrs. Palmer returned from San Francisco by the Walla Walla.

Miss Bowes, president of the Vancouver W.C.T.U., has returned from Boston, where she went to attend the convention of the World's and National W.C.T.U. Miss Bowes travelled in all about 8000 miles, and did not travel on Sunday.

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DEFYING THE GOVERNOR.

MERCIER'S ANGRY REPLY TO ANGERS' LETTER.

He Accuses the Governor of Partisanship and Bad Conduct Generally—Mercier Ready for a Bitter Fight—Ira Morgan Killed in Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—In the Angers-Mercier correspondence published yesterday the reply of the deposed Premier to the Lieutenant-Governor occupies a very prominent place. It follows a note from Mr. Mercier to the Governor, asking for a copy of Judge Jette's letter, and also for permission to publish the interim report and the letter of dismissal, all of which the Governor refused. Mercier's final letter is a vigorous document and attacks the Governor fiercely. He opens with a declaration that he will publish, as he has done, all the correspondence, so that the people may judge the matter for themselves. He accuses Angers of political partisanship and acting as the willing tool of Abbott, from whom he expects soon to be rewarded for his treachery. He mocks at His Honor's withdrawing his confidence from him (Mercier), something which he had not got for four months. Continues Mercier:—"He had kept me under his tutorship, and now does that which our august Sovereign would not have done in England without provoking anarchy." He reviews the career of Angers, which showed him to be a political partisan from the time he went on the bench until landing in Spencerwood. Mercier also points to Lord Dufferin's action during the Pacific Scandal in allowing the Government to make its own investigation, to the laying of the report before Parliament to deal with it, all of which was refused him (Mercier). Angers, he says, was throughout the whole of the Pacific Scandal the defender of those implicated, as he was still to-day the tool of the treasurer, Mr. Abbott, of that famous fund. Of the interim report of the two judges he says: "The report is that of two partisans, from whom you have dragged an unjust and unfounded opinion which is altogether informal and without legal value. The allegations of this pretended preliminary report are contrary to proof. They contain gratuitous insults to your administration which are supported by a great majority of the Legislature of this province." It was indecent of them so to act in defiance of the chairman's wishes. The commission so far had made no report, and when made it should be laid before the Governor-in-Council. Mercier further charges the Governor with personal and autocratic government; with having arrested the Government; with having refused to pay legitimate debts; with having refused to call the legislature at the request of the majority to transact public business, and with having carried out one of the most odious conspiracies ever entered into against the constitutional liberties enjoyed by a free people. He taunts the Governor with a desire to place power in the hands of political friends, by taking an unfair advantage of the illness of Judge Jette, against all the rules of decency and professional etiquette, and with trampling under foot the dignity of the Crown. He charges him with leaving politics for the bench, and when there of being a partisan. In conclusion he says:—"You obey the will of the Federal Prime Minister, Abbott, who was himself a distributor of this bribery money to the ministry. Your conduct puts our political institutions in jeopardy. I will try to undo your nefarious work with the assistance of my colleagues and my political friends, and will willingly expend all I possess to save our cherished province".

The report of the two judges has the following passage:—"The bargain between Armstrong and Pacaud, by which $100,000 were paid to Pacaud, was fraudulent and contrary to public order, and an audacious exploitation of the Provincial Treasury. We are of opinion that Hon. Mr. Garneau gave proof of carelessness, but he was acting in good faith and benefitted in no way by the transaction; the fact of Hon. Mr. Robidoux having in his possession Pacaud's note for $20,000 endorsed by H. Valliere, and to which was attached one of the $20,000 checks signed by Chrysostome Langelier, Commissioner in the Baie des Chaleurs affair, constitute compromising acts for that gentleman. Hon. Charles Langelier was one of the ministers who took the greatest part in the adoption of the Thom proposal, and we cannot avoid saying that when Hon. Mr. Langelier accepted the money from Pacaud he was perfectly aware of its source. Mr. Mercier also was included among the endorsers; and when payment was made later it was not repudiated by them, and they profited by it." The commissioners then point to the apparent contradictions between Mr. Mercier's statement to the Governor and the evidence before the commission in connection with the money forwarded for his use while in Europe. The report regrets that certain correspondence was not produced and concludes: "It is not proved that Hon. Mr. Mercier knew of the existence of the bargain between Messrs. Armstrong and Pacaud, and that gentleman declares he benefited in no way thereby. Hon. Messrs. Ross, Shehyn, Boyer and Duhamel derived no advantage whatever from the transaction." In transmitting the report to Hon. Mr. Mercier, the Governor states that it proves carelessness and illegalities, and shows the statements and justifications of the Premier to be of no value. The report, he says, forces upon him the conviction that the Ministry is not in a position to advise the Representative of the Crown, and, therefore, he must dismiss them.

It is said that the new Quebec ministry will be made up as follows: Hons. B. DeBoucherville, premier; L. O. Taillon, C. A. Nantel, J. S. Hall, J. L. McIntosh, Chase Casgrain and Charles Fitzpatrick.

Ira Morgan, Reeve of Osgoode, and ex-warden of the County of Carleton, was run over by an electric car last night and died early to day. The remains will be taken to Metcalf, where they will be buried with Masonic honors on Tuesday. The County Council will attend in a body.

ARRESTED AND SENTENCED.

Officer Robb Brings Four Prisoners Out of the Chilcotin Country.

Provincial Officer Robb has returned from the interior for the winter, the stages of which he is guard having discontinued carrying treasure. He says that although the miners of Cariboo had to discontinue work earlier than usual on account of the scarcity of water, there was more gold brought out than in past years, and the prospects for next season are bright indeed.

Officer Robb has not been idle since he stopped traveling on the stages a couple of months ago, having been 300 miles into the Chilcotin country to break up a band of law breakers. He brought out four prisoners in pairs. Two of the prisoners, Brown and Owens, who were sentenced to nine months each, were brought to Westminster and put in the penitentiary. The charge on which they were sentenced was vagrancy. They went into the Chilcotin country some time ago with the object of breaking the law and terrorizing the farmers. They took two men, two women and 15 pack horses loaded with provisions in with them. A small island on Chilcoolie Lake was chosen as a camping ground, and there the party of outlaws remained, defying the law until arrested by Officer Robb.

The other two, Mark Lack and Brown, were sentenced to 12 months. Lack for supplying liquor to Indians and assault. They had started a regular traffic and were making big profits until the law got on to their little game and put them behind the bars.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

The Quintette Club of Boston as Popular as Ever—An Evening of Music.

The return of the Mendelssohn Quintette Club was like welcoming back so many members of the family. They are all favorites and all musicians as well. Although it was a matter for regret that they did not have a larger audience than that to which they played last night, it is certain that they could not have had a more appreciative and intensely interested gathering. From beginning to end they held their listeners in the deepest interest, and each piece was encored—a rare occurrence now-a-days with a mixed audience listening to classical music. The venerable white-headed Thomas Ryan is still with this club. He is well known now, and when he comes forward with that clarionette of his there are very few in an audience who do not know him either by reputation or acquaintance. His welcome last evening was thoroughly genuine. He played a Romance and Rondo from Weber, and was encored. Miss Marie Barnard is still with the club and sings as beautifully as ever. Mme. Patti once paid Miss Barnard a very pretty compliment. She said Miss Barnard's voice was "like yards and yards of velvet, not common, ordinary velvet, but rich brocaded velvet." Miss Barnard sang two solos and encores last evening. Her "Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark" (Bishop) was remarkably sweet and was rendered more so by a flute obligato from Mr. Henneberg. Mr. Henneberg is a flautist of rare artistic ability, in fact he is far above criticism. He plays an old-fashioned, conical bore instrument, which is rather peculiar for a man of his skill. No doubt he has his reasons for doing so, but one would have thought that he would use the more modern cylindrical bore, in which there appears to be more music. Mr. Stoeving took Mr. Beogner's place as solo violinist, and made a good impression, and Mr. H. Diestel won an encore for a cello solo.

THE CARLETON OPERA COMPANY.

"The public eye has become so fastidious that the most meritorious comic opera will fail if it is not handsomely staged and beautifully costumed," says the Mineapolis Tribune of a late date. "A brilliant libretto, entrancing music, finished singers and clever actors with all their combined excellences cannot save a comic opera if it is cheaply staged. The eye must be pleased first, after which the ear will perform its function, and it will be pretty apt to agree with the eye, if the opera possesses any musical merit. For this reason the large and representative audience gathered at the Grand Opera House last night heartily endorsed the Carleton Opera Company and approved of 'Indigo.' When the curtain rose on the first act, the spectators beheld a dozen or more richly costumed young women, grouped gracefully about the stage. They also gazed upon some handsome scenery, though it was by no means as elaborate as that displayed in the second and third acts. The whole performance was a succession of pictures and tableaux, rendered effective by the tasteful costumes and Oriental scenery. If 'Indigo' were not as good an opera as it is, it would please as long as it was presented as elaborately as it was last night. Mr. Carleton deserves unqualified praise for the liberal and elegant, one might almost say magnificent, manner in which he has mounted this opera."

MONDAY EVENING'S CONCERT.

The concert to be given by the pupils of the Conservatory of Music on Monday evening in the R. E. church school room, under the direction of Miss Laura Adams, promises to surpass previous events. The pupils of this institution have made splendid progress, and not a few of them are brilliant performers for their age.

NOTES.

John L. Sullivan, the champion pugilist, is booked for a season of one night in his new play at Learmont's opera house, Port Townsend, the early part of January. He may also visit Victoria.

The Seattle papers are very lavish of their praise of the Carleton Opera Company.

Yarmouth bloaters at 30 Fort street.

CANADIAN NOTES.

Latest Happenings Reported by Mail and Wire From the East.

The 16-year-old son of James Ritchie, of Tilbury Centre, was drowned in a well.

Mrs. Wm. Bromell, a resident of St. Thomas for a quarter of a century, has died, aged 69.

Thos. Radigar, an old pensioner, was struck by an engine at Port Hope and probably fatally injured.

The Civil Service Commissioners will probably recommend that the hours of clerks be extended until 5 p.m.

It is rumored that Count Mercier intends to drop his suit against Richard White, of the Montreal Gazette.

Three railway clerks have been suspended at Ottawa for illegally using the promotion examination papers before examination day.

Col. Brown Chamberlin, C.M.G., ex-Queen's Printer, has been presented by his former staff with a beautiful silver service on his retirement.

The Quebec Harbor Commission have a dispute with the Dominion Government relative to the amount due the Commission on sums voted by Parliament.

A report is current in Montreal that action is about to be taken against Ernest Pacaud, charging him with conspiracy to defraud the Province of Quebec out of $100,000.

Nickel ore mixed with copper has been accidentally discovered on the McFarlane farm, near Cascade, on the Gatineau river, 16 miles from Ottawa. The deposit is in large quantities.

Major R. R. McLennan, Conservative M.P. for Glengarry, was unseated yesterday for bribery by an agent. The personal charges were dismissed, the respondent paying costs.

Some 18 boarding pupils of Laval Normal school at Quebec are laid up with grippe. The closing down of the school until after the Christmas holidays has been precipitated by the event.

James K. Wilder, a Montreal furniture dealer, placed his head to the muzzle of a rifle, worked the trigger with a string and blew his brains out. He left a check for $5000 for his wife and to his son.

Word has reached Winnipeg from Snake Plains that Miss Halpin, sister of Mr. Halpin, Indian Agent Clerk, has been poisoned. It was thought that she had committed suicide by taking strychnine.

La Patrie has opened a subscription for the erection at L'Assomption of a monument to the memory of Delormir, executed during the troubles of 1837-38, and whose widow died a few days ago at an advanced age.

Francois E. Tourand, of Fish Creek, N.W.T., was committed for trial for perjury. The charge originated in the late election for the Assembly, when he took an oath and voted, not having a vote in the district.

Several men of Little Current lumber camp, who fled on account of diphtheria, have died in the bush. McGinnis, a young fellow who reached Ottawa, died, in the hospital Sunday. Diphtheria is rampant in many shanties.

In previous years the temporary clerks in the civil service at Ottawa received their December cheques before Christmas in order to tide them over the holidays. The decision of the Auditor-General to abolish the practice, on the ground that it would be illegal to have work paid for until it had been performed, has created considerable dissatisfaction on Parliament Hill.

There is in Toronto a by-law authorizing the submission of the question of having Sunday street car service to the ratepayers on the reception by the council of a petition from five thousand voters. Such a petition was presented the other night, also another one got up by the Ministerial Association, praying that the question be not submitted to the people. After a very warm debate the matter was laid over for examination of signatures.

The Dominion Government has entered civil suits against the firms who paid commissions or a bribe to Senecal to recover the amounts of such bribes, on the ground that they belong to the country. The total amount is $13,690. The firms are Miller & Richard, the Barber & Ellis Co., the Type Foundry Co., Buntin, Reid & Co., all of Toronto; the Montreal Type Foundry Co., Montreal; McLean, Roger & Co., and Geo. Law, Ottawa.

Hon. G. W. Ross, manager pro tem of the Building & Loan Association, and J. B. McWilliams, vice-president of the same, resigned their office on Monday, and their positions as directors as well. Some of the shareholders of this association recently preferred charges of malfeasance and mismanagement against the directors and officers, but the majority of the shareholders declared the charges groundless. The minority were dissatisfied with the result and are taking legal proceedings against the alleged delinquents.

Before Chief Justice Armour, at Toronto, a motion was made to appoint Sylvester Neelon as receiver for the firm of Neelon, Neelon & Shields, railway and Government contractors. The plaintiffs in the action are G. M. Neelon and S. Neelon, while the defendant is the remaining partner, John Shields. The dispute appears to be a serious matter. Neelon claims that he has put various very large amounts of money into the firm, reaching into the many thousands, while he claims John Shields has only put in a small amount. There are many affidavits in this matter in court, and a clause from one made by Sylvester Neelon shows the nature of the dispute, "On October 9 last an estimated amount of $3928 became due on the Bar Harbor contract, and I requested John Shields to assist me in procuring payment for the purposes of the firm, but, on the contrary, without my knowledge and with intent to defraud the partnership, the defendant (Shields) instigated T. P. Smith to draw the said money to prevent the same being paid to me." Upon consent the matter was enlarged until December 22.

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Chicago Gathering Plants.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Chicago at the close of the World's Fair will have the finest collection of rare plants in America. They will be given to the city by J. Gould, G. W. Childs, J. B. Colgate, Miss M. L. Baldwin and other eastern florists, who have agreed to fill an ordinary conservatory, provided that visitors to the World's Fair shall have a chance to see them. Jas. B. Colgate, the New York banker, said he would send eight or ten exceptionally fine palms and a number of other rare plants. J. Gould will give some palms forty feet high, and Geo. W. Childs will give bamboo and India rubber plants.

IN THE OLD, HARD RUT.

Some women will persist in sticking to the old hard rut through life, when the easy and pleasant road is open to them. For instance, many toil and slave over the washing, steaming themselves half to death, and rubbing their fingers sore to get the clothes clean; whereas if they would use "Sunlight" Soap and follow directions, this Soap would do most of the work for them, and save the house from steam, and the clothes and hands from injury. Make up your mind to try it.

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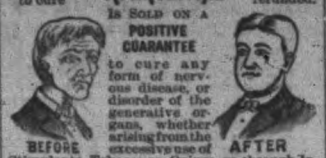

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2:25 a.m.	Lv	105	Anacortes	20	Lv	9:15 a.m.	
6:45 a.m.	Ar	121	Fairhaven	3	Lv	8:00 a.m.	
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9:00 p.m.	Lv.	Seattle	Ar.	1:45 p.m.	
12:01 a.m.	Ar.	Port Townsend	Lv.	10:30 a.m.	
12:30 a.m.	Lv.	Port Townsend	Ar.	10:15 a.m.	
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0	5:45 P M	12:30 P M	VICTORIA	0	2:30 P M	6:15 P M
4	5:54	12:39	RUSSELL'S	4	2:24	6:06
10	6:10	12:55	ESQUIMALT	10	2:08	5:50
14	6:20	1:05	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	14	1:58	5:40
20	6:36	1:21	COBBLE HILL	20	1:42	5:24
25	6:48	1:33	MAPLE BAY	25	1:30	5:12
30	7:00	1:45	DUNCAN'S	30	1:18	5:00
37	7:15	2:00	SOMENOS	37	1:03	4:45
40	7:25	2:10	CHEMAINUS	40	12:53	4:35
50	7:45	2:30	NANAIMO	50	12:33	4:15
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MR. MOWAT'S LETTER.

Canada's Relations with the States and Great Britain.

TORONTO, Dec. 14.—The Globe today publishes the full text of a lengthy letter addressed to Hon. Alex. Mackenzie by Hon. O. Mowat, reviewing the political situation in Canada. The Premier opens by enumerating the principles which have always guided the Liberal party, declaring that if the result of the elections of 1878 had been different we should not have our present difficulties. The promises and expectations which induced the people of Canada to try the experiment of a protective policy have, he says, since been demonstrated to have been mistaken. The protective policy has been shown by experience to afford our people no sound or permanent advantage. On the contrary it had directly and indirectly added to the burdens of the great body of our people, and our people have been less able to bear the burdens by reason of several successive years of bad crops and by further injury which has arisen to our farmers at the instance of our neighbors, through the operation of the McKinley tariff. Mowat then goes on to speak of unrestricted reciprocity, the adoption of which article of the Liberal platform was, he says, approved of by the party generally, including those who had the strongest attachment to British connection. Continuing, he says, "Liberals did not see that unrestricted reciprocity would have the effect of inducing Canadians to change their allegiance to the empire. They believed that with unchanged political relations unrestricted reciprocity would, on the whole, be good for our farmers especially, and through them for the whole community; but unrestricted reciprocity at the price of annexation we were not prepared for. Many of us were not prepared to affirm that reciprocity at that price would be for even the material advantage of Canada." After pointing out that it was by raising the cry that unrestricted reciprocity would lead to political union, that the Conservatives obtained a majority at the last election, Mowat says: "Since that time the discontent with the Conservative Government has increased in consequence of the scandals unearthed, the proof afforded by the census and otherwise of the failure of the so-called National Policy to realize the expectations from it, and the continued discussion of the advantages of freer trade relations with the United States. As a result a disposition has been manifested in some quarters to favor even political union with the United States as the best means of obtaining such reciprocity. The attachment of Canadians to British connection has stood many tests during the last hundred years and more, and I hope and think it will bear this test also. It was the attachment of the people of Canada to British connection that prevented them from joining the other colonies in the war of revolution. The same attachment brought from those colonies to Canada when the war closed the U. E. Loyalists—men who sacrificed all, or nearly all, their acquired property and submitted to unaccustomed hardships and privation of pioneer life in the woods of Canada in order that they and their families and descendents might remain British subjects. The remainder of the Premier's letter is devoted to the presentation of a few reasons which influence his mind against the political union of Canada and the States. These are, briefly: Because Great Britain is our nation, and was the nation of our forefathers; Canadians cannot and do not forget Canada was born in the last century by British blood and the expenditure of British treasure; that the aspiration of Canadians is for an independent Canada, in case of the country ceasing to be a part of the British Empire; unfriendliness to our nation on the part of the people of the United States; because the constitutional system of Canada is better than that of the United States; that as a Liberal he has a special dislike to any movement toward severing our British connection at a time when the people of the motherland have come into larger control of its parliament and government than they had at any former period of its history. Mowat admits some of these considerations are matters of sentiment, but declares it is sentiment which in thousands of ways rules the world. In conclusion he says, "Some of our farmers, Conservatives and Liberals alike, may talk somewhat wildly when they think of markets, from which they are excluded, but I undertake to say that never, as a matter of deliberate action, will either they or any other important section of Canadians consent to sell their country and its nationality for gold or for greenbacks whether in prospect or in promise. They will live on as they are, in the hope of better things from a better Government."

The Globe, commenting on Mr. Mowat's letter, says: "We hold in opposition to what appears to be Mr. Mowat's view that in all our legislation and in all our projects of legislation whatsoever, we should take account of the good or evil likely to accrue to Canada and set aside all other considerations as trivial by comparison. It would be treason to subordinate her interests to those of the British merchant and fatal to connection to boot, for, as has been said, while sentiment is a potent force, it would be no match for the storm that would sweep over this country if its well-being were sacrificed to the venerable superstition that we exist to serve others rather than to serve ourselves."

MANITOBA SCHOOL ACT.

Judgment of the Court on Mr. Logan's Application.

Following is the judgment of Chief Justice Taylor in the late Manitoba school case:—

"This is an application made by a ratepayer, a member of the Church of England, to quash the by-law No. 514 of the city of Winnipeg, for levying and raising the assessment for the year 1891, on the grounds (1) That by the said by-law the amount estimated to be levied for school expenditure is levied upon members of the Church of England and all other religious denominations alike. (2) That it is illegal to assess members of the Church of England for the support of schools which are not under the control of the Church of England and in which there are not taught religious exercises prescribed by that church. The affidavits filed in support of the application allege that at the time of the union with Canada of what is now the Province of Manitoba there were in operation a number of parochial schools, in which the distinctive principles and doctrines of the Church of England were taught and which were supported by members of that church, and out of the funds of the church. In the case of Barrett vs. Winnipeg, a Roman Catholic ratepayer sought to quash two by-laws of the city levying by assessment the amount required for the municipal and school purposes of the city for the year 1890. The ground upon which it was sought to quash these by-laws was that by them the amount levied for school purposes for the Protestant and Catholic schools were united and one rate levied upon Protestants and Roman Catholics alike for the whole sum. The question involved in that case was whether "The Public Schools" Act of 1890, under the authority of which the city had acted was one within the power of the Local Legislature to pass. The argument against its validity was that the Roman Catholics had at the time of the union denominational schools in this province, and therefore the act prejudicially affected a right or privilege which they, as a class of persons, then had by law or practice. The Supreme Court has decided this contention to be well founded, that the Public School Act is one which the Legislature of this province had no power to pass, and has ordered the by-laws in question in that case to be quashed. If the facts alleged in the affidavits supporting the present application are correct, and no attempt has been made to contradict them, I do not see how it can be distinguished from Barrett vs. Winnipeg. The Supreme Court there decided a case in which the question was raised as here, by an individual member of the church. There can be no doubt that under the decision in that case the members of the Church of England are also a class of persons who had, in the matter of education, a right or privilege by law or practice at the time of the union. In New Brunswick case of re Renaud, the court in New Brunswick dealt with section 93 of the British North America Act. In that case the learned Chief Justice, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, held that the words of subsection one were not intended to distinguish between Roman Catholics on one hand and Protestants on the other. The subsection means, he said, just what it expresses, that "any," that is every "class of persons," having any right or privilege in respect to denominational schools, whether such class should be one of the numerous denominations of Protestants or Roman Catholics, should be protected. If that is the true reading of subsection one of section 93 of the British North America Act, and I do not see how any other reading can be given to it, the same construction must be put upon the corresponding subsection of the Manitoba Act. The words Protestant and Catholic are used in the British North America Act as in the Manitoba Act. That being so, there can, I think, be no doubt that under the decision of the Supreme Court in Barrett v. Winnipeg, the members of the Church of England are a class of persons who had, at the time of the union, a right or privilege by law or practice which is prejudicially affected. I cannot see that the argument can be urged of acquiescence on the part of the applicant. He may not, indeed he did not, move while the previous school acts were in force, but it is a public right he is now contending for, and I do not see that such a constitutional right can be waived. It may slumber or not be enforced, but it is there all the time. If the members of the Church of England have the right or privilege under the act, it is illegal to assess members of that church for the support of schools which are not under the control of that church and as the by-law No. 514, now in question, levies one rate upon ratepayers of all denominations it is illegal and must be quashed." Mr. Justice Dubuc and Mr. Justice Bain both concurred.

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MAYOR GRANT'S RETIREMENT.

It is pretty well known now that Mayor Grant will not be a candidate for re-election. He has filled the position for four years, the longest term in the history of the city, and we think it will be conceded even by his opponents that he has discharged the duties of chief executive officer in a manner satisfactory, if not to all, at least to a majority of the citizens of Victoria. During Mayor Grant's term Victoria has increased fully twenty-five per cent. in population and wealth, and it will be something for Mayor Grant to remember in the future with pride, that he helped in no inconsiderable degree, as head of the corporation, to accelerate the speed of the wheels of progress. A less energetic man, a man with narrow views, who looked only to the present, might, perhaps, have steered the municipal craft as safely and at less expense, but the voyage would have been longer and the results much less satisfactory. The past four years was a time when to remain stationary was to retrograde, and it would have been a misfortune, from which it would have taken years to recover, had the old rest-and-be-thankful policy prevailed. In retiring, therefore, from office, Mayor Grant will have the satisfaction of knowing that he still retains the confidence of the people; and that, notwithstanding opposition, which need not be discredited or minimized, his disinterested and incessant labors in behalf of the city have been, in many ways, eminently successful. The people of Victoria owe more to Mayor Grant than some of them are at present prepared to admit, but time will show that our estimate of the Mayor's services has not been overdrawn.

HON. MR. BEAVEN FOR MAYOR.

Should Hon. Robert Beaven offer himself as a candidate for the Mayoralty, it is probable that he would not be opposed. Mr. Beaven is admirably qualified, in many respects, for the position. His long experience in the Legislature, his intimate knowledge of the law governing our municipal institutions, which for the most part he framed, his recognized ability as a man, and, above all, his unimpeachable personal character, are qualifications that will be recognized and admitted by every person acquainted with him. There are other citizens, it is true, well fitted to fill the civic chair, but there is none better qualified by training and experience to assume the responsibilities of the Chief Magistracy than the Hon. Mr. Beaven. We are pleased to know that Mr. Beaven's health has been steadily improving during the past half dozen years, and that there can be no objection on that score to his candidature either by himself or by the public. He has also at his disposal the time necessary to give to the office, which, in addition to the other qualifications, is a most important consideration. It will, all things considered, be difficult to find another candidate as eligible for the office as Mr. Beaven, and if he is willing to give his services to his fellow-citizens in this new capacity, there will be no occasion for a contest. Mr. Beaven ought to be elected by acclamation.

THE HIGH SCHOOL AFFAIR.

Mr. McLeod, Principal of the High School, has received from the Council of Public Instruction an intimation that it has tried the charges made by the Board of Trustees against the administration of the Education Department, and has found that they "have not been supported or in the slightest degree proved by the evidence." The Council in conclusion calls on Mr. McLeod to furnish it with a retraction of the statements made in his letter to the Board of Trustees, which statements the Council declares to be unfounded. No mention is made in the interesting document of pains and penalties in the event of Mr. McLeod refusing to humble himself before the autocrats, but it is to be supposed that the Council is ready to follow its system of "Jedwood justice" to its legitimate conclusion. "Jedwood justice" it is, for so far as the effect is concerned, it is no doubt a case of first hanging Mr. McLeod and trying him afterwards. Who is there to believe in the fairness of a trial conducted in the Star Chamber fashion, where one of the interested parties acts as judge and jury? Is it at all likely that the Council of Public Instruction would find a verdict against the Education Department, which is essentially a part of itself? The judgment in such a case could easily have been told in advance. There is just one point of the case to which we wish to allude at present. Why does the Department persistently refuse to exhibit the famous papers in Latin, which the Council finds have been properly examined? If Mr. McLeod was wrong in his statement regarding these—that the papers of indifferent Latin scholars were incorrectly given higher marks than those of more proficient pupils—then the papers themselves must convict him of the error. But the Department keeps those papers carefully concealed, and its refusal to produce them for inspection when Mr. McLeod was under examination by the Council at once stamps the investigation as a fraud and a farce. If the Department's case were good it would not need to conceal important evidence.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Some of the Conservative papers have been expressing approval of the open letter addressed by Mr. J. D. Edgar, M.P. to Mr. Andrew Carnegie. That letter concludes with the following passage: "Your allusion to Canada as the Scotland of America, although quite inconsistent with the emasculated condition which you attribute to her people, was no doubt intended to be complimentary when addressed to a gathering of Scotchmen. With all your aspirations for a Pan-Anglican League of the peoples of British lineage I warmly sympathize. The first step is to bring about a liberal policy of reciprocity between the United States and Canada. That surely would be in the business interest of the two countries, and would draw the people closer together by every commercial and social tie. It is to be hoped that when we are better known to each other no men will be found on our side of the border to think they can best display loyalty to the Queen by abusing the Americans, nor on your side to think that we deserve to be called 'puny, miserable colonists.'"

Says the Colonist: "Such is the state of public opinion in Great Britain that if a representative of the public gave the public good reason to suspect that he was, no matter how indirectly, a boodler, there would be an end to his career as a public man." The Colonist proceeds to point out that if public opinion in Quebec were in the same healthy state the Lieutenant-Governor would have had no reason to dismiss his Ministers, as they would have been punished by the people. In fact Mercier would in that case have been an impossibility. Carrying the Colonist's supposition a little further, what would become of the Dominion Government if public opinion in Canada were in the same healthy state as in Great Britain? How long would the present tainted Ministers hold office? The fact is that Sir John Macdonald would have been dismissed in disgrace long ago—or rather he would never have been allowed to regain office after the Pacific scandal—if boodleism were as repugnant to Canadian as it is to British electors.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Services in the Different Churches To-Morrow Morning and Evening.

Christadelphian Hall, 209 Douglas street. Sunday service at 11 a.m., for the Breaking of Bread; 7 p.m., reading. Subject—The Millenium—is it the promised inheritance of the righteous after the resurrection? All are welcome.

Rev. J. K. Smith, D.D., will officiate at the morning and evening services, in the First Presbyterian Church, tomorrow. Dr. Smith, who was for twenty years pastor of the Galt Presbyterian Church, the largest congregation in the church in Canada, was the first clergyman to introduce instrumental music into the church. He is an eloquent preacher, having a fluent delivery, while his utterances are characterised by an earnestness possessed but by few even in a church noted for its earnest and able men.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND NOTES.

The following are the preachers in the city churches to-morrow:

Christ Church Cathedral—Morning, the Ven. Canon and Archdeacon Woods; evening, the Rev. J. B. Hewetson.

St. James Church—Morning, the Rev. E. T. Lipscombe; evening, the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven.

St. John's—Morning and evening, the Rev. Percival Jenns.

St. Barnabas—Morning and evening, the Rev. Geo. W. Taylor.

St. Saviour's—Morning and evening, Rev. W. D. Barber.

CITY DISTRICT SERVICES.

St. Luke's, Cedar Hill—Morning and evening, Rev. M. C. Browne.

St. Paul's, Esquimalt—Morning and evening, the Rev. S. C. Scholefield.

St. Michael's, Lake—Afternoon, Rev. M. C. Browne

Tolmie—Evening, at 7 the Rev. W. H. P. Arden.

Cadboro Bay—Afternoon at 3 the Rev. W. H. P. Arden.

Indian Reserve—Afternoon, at 3:30.

Provincial Jail—Morning, at 9:30, Mr. W. H. P. Arden.

The further arrangements for to-morrow are: At Christ Church Cathedral, Matins and Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Sermon, Litany and Ordination at 11 a.m.

BRIEF LOCALS.

One Day's Doings in City and Province Briefly Related.

The Serpentine River has overflowed its banks, and the Yale wagon road is flooded.

Finnan haddies at 33 Fort street.

The permanent firemen of New Westminster have been put into regulation uniforms.

Have your shoes repaired at Cavin Bros., Douglas St. tf

George Riley, secretary-treasurer of the S. & O. Railway company, came down last evening.

Simpson's Bon Ton Tailor Parlors, 86 Government street, Victoria. Dress suits a specialty.

About 30 couple enjoyed the hospitality of the Queen City Dancing Club at Harmony Hall last evening.

Do not forget to get your sausage meat for dressing your turkeys at 93 Yates street.

Steamer Walla Walla, from San Francisco, brought 69 tons of freight for Victoria and 14 for Vancouver.

People say the Dominion Hotel is the place for a 25 cent meal. Twenty-one meal tickets for $4.50.

Only one drunk appeared in the police court this morning. The usual fine of $5 was imposed and paid.

A fine line of 1847 Roger Bros. quadruple plated silver ware, suitable for wedding gifts, at Weiler Bros.

A Tacoma syndicate is boring for oil about five miles from Noosack station, on the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern railroad.

Get prices from Victoria Lithograph Company for lithograph work before placing your orders.

The Knights of Pythias held a meeting last evening and appointed a committee to arrange for a ball to be held early in February.

When suffering from toothache try Gibbons' Toothache gum. Sold by all druggists.

Two large whales were observed in Vancouver harbour the other afternoon. The big fish were watched with a deal of interest.

Boots and shoes at greatly reduced prices at Cavin Bros., Douglas St. tf

For your Christmas purchases the Lion Clothing Store, 74 Yates street. Prices to suit all.

It is estimated that the damage done in Clallam county by the late storms will be over $100,000. A large area of timber has been blown down.

Okell & Morris' jams, cheaper than butter.

Sir Wm. Hoste, known in Victoria, has been declared a bankrupt. He attributes his insolvency to losses in business, gambling and accommodation bills.

Artistic linen and silk lamp shades at Weiler Bros. 51 to 55 Fort street.

The Artillery Band of Westminster gave a concert to the inmates of the insane asylum the other evening. The poor unfortunates were greatly pleased over the music.

Cambridge sausages, beef sausages, pork pies, boiled corn beef and ham, at Whitelaw & Co.'s, 125 Fort street.

Macaulay & Higginbottom, Lion Clothing House, commence their annual Xmas sale to-day, Saturday, December 19th.

J. T. Davis and J. T. Evans, two old miners, report a find of rich silver ore 35 miles from Tacoma assaying $35.50 to $17.00 per ton. The prospect is in Lewis county and, the miners claim, is practically inexhaustible.

The American hunter has made such havoc on the reindeer that old Santa Claus is forced to use a bicycle. See him at Dixi H. Ross & Co.

Wm. Bell, of Winnipeg, has brought a carload of turkeys to Vancouver. The fowl were bought in the County of Lanark, and have arrived in prime condition. Some day, perhaps, the British Columbia farmer will awake to the folly of giving to eastern farmers a market for what should be raised at home.

Stocton flour at 33 Fort street.

The Opening of the Market.

Although the ladies have not yet completed the decorations, the public market already looks very pretty and will present a grand scene when filled with ladies and gentlemen this evening. The hall is decorated with flags, flowers, evergreens and mottoes, and a temporary stage which has been erected is tastefully decorated. On one side of the stage is the motto, "Welcome to the Market," and on the other "God Save Our Queen." Refreshments will be served during the evening.

Municipal Offices.

The announcement in last evening's TIMES that Hon. Robert Beaven will probably be a candidate for the mayoralty has caused general satisfaction. It will now be in order for the gentlemen who aspire to the position of aldermen to make known their intentions so that the public may be prepared against the day of voting.

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For Christmas novelties see windows Lansdowne House on Saturday night.

David Spencer's

House is well known for always having the newest productions in carpets. New additions keep his stock fresh and desirable.

New Steamer.

The new and palatial steamer Victorian leaves Victoria daily except Saturday for Port Townsend, Seattle and Tacoma at 7:30 a.m.

David Spencer's

Curtains sell at sight and all pleased with the novelties.

Geo. A. Shade

Has removed to 81½ Yates street, opposite the Clarence hotel where he is prepared to make and repair boots and shoes at short notice. All kinds of rubber goods repaired. Satisfaction guaranteed or no charge. 1m

Will Keep a Record.

Instructions have been received by U. S. Consul Myers from the Department of State asking that a list of the deaths of all American citizens within the jurisdiction of the consulate be prepared and forwarded every quarter to the office at Washington, D.C., so that a complete record can be kept.

Just So.

18 pounds sugar, 10 pounds currants, 10 pounds raisins, 3 pounds mixed peel, 10 pounds dried apples, 8 pounds prunes, 10 pounds figs, Cal., 7 jam or jelly or four 3 pound tins of peaches for $1. Choice eastern breakfast bacon or ham at 16c per pound at Wm. Eckert's, 106 Yates street.

Christmas Anniversary.

Don't forget that the Methodist church at Victoria West holds a Christmas anniversary on Monday, December 21st, in the Temperance hall, Craigflower road. The bazaar in the afternoon commences at 1 o'clock and the entertainment and Christmas tree in the evening commences at 8 o'clock. Arrangements all complete and both will be well worth attending.

Silverware Xmas presents at 45 Johnson St.

Fire Statistics.

The International Board of Underwriters, through the United States Department of State, have asked that a list be compiled of all fires in foreign cities where U.S. consular offices are. Full particulars of the strength of the department; nature of the water supply; loss during the year; whether the department is paid or volunteer, and much other information is asked for. Victoria will make a good showing in the list when finished.

Victoria in the Globe.

Victoria is illustrated and "written up" in the Saturday Globe which arrived here by last evening's mail. The illustrations are numerous, and are on the whole calculated to give Globe readers a favorable impression of the city, though of course there is room for improvement in some of the cuts. There is a considerable amount of descriptive reading matter, in which the position and importance of Victoria are favorably set forth.

A Splendid Chance

To make bargains at Lange & Co.'s, as they wish to retire from business as soon as possible. They offer their fine stock of diamonds and other first-class jewelry at cost. All work done and goods sold will be guaranteed as usual. As the members of the firm will remain in Victoria, the public can feel secure in purchasing from them. 93 Government street. They have on hand the choicest stock of jewelry, diamonds, watches and clocks, etc., to be seen in Victoria.

For the City's Good.

One of those useless parasites who live off the earnings of fallen women, known to the police as Harry Wade, was this morning summoned to appear before the Police Court magistrate and answer to the charge of vagrancy. Service of the summons was proven, but Wade failed to face the charge. By request of the superintendent of police a warrant for the arrest of the accused was issued. It is reported that Wade has left the city for the city's good. Victoria is no place for such creatures, who seem to be of no use but to dress well and haunt bar-rooms.

Loyal Waverley Lodge C.O.O.F., M.U.

The above lodge will hold a grand concert in the Temperance Hall, Pandora street, on Wednesday evening next, at 8 o'clock. This organization contains a large number of the best amateur vocalists in the city, such as J. G. Brown, choirmaster of the First Presbyterian Church; H. Firth, choirmaster of Gorge Road Methodist Church; Mr. Floyd, choirmaster of St. Barnabas Church (Episcopal), and Mr. Grant, of First Presbyterial Church and Victoria Glee Club. These gentlemen will be assisted by several ladies and gentlemen on this occasion and a most excellent programme is being prepared. With such an array of talent there can be no doubt as to the success of the concert musically. A large house and a delightful evening is anticipated. The District Deputy Grand master, J. S. Wade, father of Dr. Wade, of this city, will occupy the chair.

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Undyed Wool Flannel and Health Underwear

Our third year with these popular goods. Wm. Wilson & Co.

Nearly All Sold.

Those wanting a barrel of choice eastern apples should call early as their are only a few left. B. Gordon.

Souvenir Christmas Cards.

Pretty scenes around Victoria; 100 different varieties. We are open in the evenings. Jones & Co., 60 Yates St.

Get Your Carpets Cleaned.

All kinds of carpets cleaned and made to look like new, with our new renovating process. Rugs cleaned. Victoria Carpet Cleaning Works, office 102 Douglas street, Pierre block, works corner Pembroke and Quadra. F. L. Nelson, prop.

The Market By-Law.

The new market by-law provides, among other things, that fish or meat shall not be exhibited for sale on the sidewalks. In cases of infraction of the by-law heavy penalties are provided. This law has been provided to do away with several nuisances now existing.

New Chair Cars.

The Union Pacific is the only transcontinental line running free reclining chair cars from the Pacific coast to the east. For particulars, etc., call on or address C. G. Rawlings, General agent, 10 Government street. tf

Linen Crumb cloths at Weiler Bros

On the Way.

Expected to arrive in a few days a large consignment of turkeys, geese and ducks. Those wanting any should leave their orders at once. B. Gordon.

Christmas Presents.

Those who deal at the Toronto grocery store next week will be treated in a very handsome way. On Monday every child who makes a purchase will be given a present. On Tuesday all ladies doing business will have a present.

A New Schedule.

Commencing on January 2nd the San Francisco steamers will sail from and arrive at Victoria every seven days instead of twice in ten days, the company having decided to withdraw the steamer City of Puebla from the route during the winter months. The first boat will leave here by the new schedule on Saturday, January the second.

Instruments Brought Down.

The new steamer T. W. Carter returned from the west coast last evening, having had a rather stormy passage down the Straits. Among the passengers who returned was Mr. Barnes, the explorer who went down down after some of the instruments belonging to the wrecked bark Sarah. He brought back the barometer and several other boxes of instruments.

The Imperial.

The Imperial Theatre was comfortably filled last night in spite of the weather by an enthusiastic audience to witness Colleen Bawn. "Eilly O'Connor" was faithfully represented by Miss Daigleish. Miss Belmour as "Sheelah Mann" succeeded in gaining well merited applause. Mr. C. M. Gray was very good and made the most of his part. Mr. Belmour was also good as "Danny Mann." The Colleen Bawn will be repeated to-night. Next week the entire programme will be changed, and some rollicking Christmas plays will be produced.

A Dangerous Combination.

A young Englishman, named Harold Lamb, lately arrived from the Old Country, met with a serious accident at Pojcum a few days ago, says the Columbian. He had a couple of pounds of powder in a paper bag, and was at work outside his cabin filling a number of shells. While measuring out the powder he enjoyed a quiet smoke, and got along famously until a spark fell out of his pipe into the bag of powder. An explosion followed, and when Lamb picked himself up a few minutes later he was in a bad way. His eyes were injured, his face punctured by the grains of powder, and his hair, clothes and hands burned seriously. Fortunately, Lamb's eyesight will be saved, but his face will be marked for life with the powder burns. He has been confined to his bed ever since the accident, but will be about again in another week.

To Builders.

45 Johnson street is the place to buy your hardware.

Don't Miss It.

For Christmas novelties see windows Lansdowne House on Saturday night.

Have you seen him?
Who?
Santa Claus.
Where?
At Dixi H. Ross & Co.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT CHAMBERS

[Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Drake.]

Pacific Asphalt Co. vs. McGregor & Jeeves—Plaintiffs applied for an order for the payment out of court of the sum of $3,098.50 paid in to their credit. The order was granted by consent. E. V. Bodwell for plaintiff, Geo. Jay for defendant. An order was made for the same parties, giving ten days time for filing statement of defence.

Byrnes vs. McMillan—This was an application by defendant for leave to demur and plead to the plaintiff's amended statement of claim. The order was granted. C. Wilson for plaintiff, H. W. B. Aickman for defendant.

DIVORCE COURT.

Francis Walter Hall, doctor of medicine, has filed an application for a divorce from his wife, Annie Elizabeth Hall, on the grounds of infidelity.

How Fernwood Road Was Opened.

It is only a few years ago that the only buildings of any description that ornamented Fernwood road between Chatham and Fort streets were the old slaughter house near Chatham street and the cattle shed at the head of Pandora street. There was a road on the map only where Fernwood road now is, so that taking cattle from the shed to the slaughter house necessitated a long round about passage. This led the butchers to speculate how they were going to open up Fernwood road without too much work or expense. The way in which they undertook to do the work was brought to a TIMES representative's mind as he was viewing the fine residences that now adorn the road in question. The roadway was covered with oak trees and shrubs, which would have to be cleared away to allow the cattle to pass. The butchers—there were two—did not care about undertaking the job alone, so they obtained the assistance of a number of school boys who used to make the slaughter house a hiding place when playing truant from school. The Victoria boys of those days were more of the "wild west" type than they are now, so that there were always at least a dozen boys playing truant. Bullocks' bladders, which were then the only footballs used by the boys, were to be given in payment for the work, and a dozen boys and two butchers armed with every kind of an axe or hatchet started to open up Fernwood road, which is now one of the principal residence streets in Victoria.

It Will Cost You Nothing.

Ladies whose sweet tempers are ruffled, and whose dresses get spoilt this damp weather as they wait for those horrid street cars, which never seem to come when one wants them, will find a pleasant and comfortable place of refuge from the wet and cold by stepping into Davidson Brothers' handsome jewelry store in the Five Sisters block, and waiting till the cars come along. While waiting they will be able to view the superb stock of jewlery, clocks, silverware and articles of vertu which this firm always carries. The Messrs. Davidson have a reputation for courtesy and fair dealing beyond all others, and their prices compare favorably with any house in the city. They have about the best appointed store in the city, its metropolitan appearance in their elegantly stocked windows being no small attraction. This firm, holding the maxim that it costs nothing to be courteous, are always willing to cheerfully show all their goods without imposing on the customer the necessity of having to purchase. Call and see them about Christmas presents.

The Evangelists.

Last evening at the Pandora Street Methodist Church Mr. Hunter, who was once a disciple of Izaak Walton, showed the similarity in the art of catching fish and catching men, adaptation being especially necessary if we would command success. Some men will be caught by the Gospel net, others by the Gospel pole, while others are like the sucker, they need to be speared because they are down in the mud. The preacher would often be encouraged to go on in his work of fishing for men if a few words of cheer and help were given him. As it is he often finds it hard to work among and preach to a lot of icebergs. When the disciples forsook all and followed Jesus they were successful, and all who do the same to-day will be successful. Mr. Crossley in his address dealt with mistakes that are made by various classes of people. During the evening a number of special requests for prayer were read.

To-night Mr. Hunter will discuss the subject of the parlor dance.

A Chilly Bath.

The chilly waters of Victoria Harbor yesterday afternoon received a call from Mr. F. Moody, who slipped off one of the docks and got a bath that was anything but comfortable. He was standing on a narrow piece of scantling, from which he slipped into the water. Although he had a heavy overcoat on he succeeded in reaching a slip, into which he scrambled, shivering, cold and miserable, but not badly hurt.

Provincial Court Notes.

The Chinaman who stole a tin cash box from Messrs. Bodwell & Irving's office and the young man who broke jail several weeks ago, will be tried in the Speedy Trials Court on Monday morning.

The case of the captain of the bark Sarah, who is charged by the sailors with refusing to pay their wages, will come up in the Provincial Court on Monday.

Held Up by Chinamen.

"The inoffensive Chinamen" last night held up a man named John Piccardy, at the corner of Store and Fisgard streets and took from him between six and seven dollars, all he had in his possession. The police have been on the track of these celestial highwaymen, but have no definite trace of them so far.

Extra Cars to Run.

The street car company, in order to accommodate those attending the market concert and dance, will run extra cars on the various routes after the regular hours.

At Half Price.

Children under twelve years of age will be admitted to the promenade concert to-night at half price (25 cents), the admission for adults being 50 cents.

Don't Miss It.

For Christmas novelties see windows Lansdowne House on Saturday night.

Ask your grocer for Okell & Morris jams.

Useful and fancy Xmas presents at McLennan & McFeely's, 70 Yates street.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
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JAPANESE GOODS
Just received by last steamer, consisting all kinds of Silk Goods, Tea Sets, Vases, Trays Cabinets, Writing Desks, Screens, Chairs, Tables, Toys of all kinds, great variety of Curios, Bronzeware, etc. The finest lot of Xmas Goods in the city.
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We intend to give all the young folk
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The largest and most magnificent assorted stock ever shown in the city
Our stock of Diamonds, Watches,
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WAKEMAN'S WANDERINGS

AN ENGLISH SAILORS' ORPHAN HOME.

Shipboard "Entertainment Night" Proceeds and Their Noble Uses—A Great Liverpool Charity Growing Out of the Endless and Dolorous Tragedies of the Sea.

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LIVERPOOL, Dec. 7.—Every one who has crossed the ocean in one of the great liners knows all about "Entertainment Night" at sea. Yet few know, save in a dim sort of way, the real object of the impromptu diversion, or have any manner of idea as to what becomes of the large sums thus frequently realized.

On some one night of each voyage the great dining saloon of the ship is transformed into a concert hall, theater and lecture-room combined. Among from two hundred to a thousand passengers there are always found men, women and youths who do some one little or big thing well. The witty man, the sarcastic man, the elocutionist, the poet and the story telling man are all on shipboard. Then there are the misses or mesdames who play or sing or both. And there is always found the talkound clergyman, the brow wrinkled senator or the bland, unctuous judge to preside.

Again, scarcely a voyage of the mail ships occurs when there are not professional people on board, usually the best of European actors, singers, instrumentalists and all manner of specialists, from dancer to freak, who are traveling from one continent to another to fill their various engagements. These are all folk with hearts quick to respond to anything genuine with charity at the end of it. So that with the amateur performers willing to be distinguished, and the distinguished artists willing to perform, "Entertainment Night" brings a programme often of very great variety and merit.

The rule is to make the occasion one of at least partial display in dress, and a majority honor the event with costumes and jewels befitting the most select social gatherings in any land. To the "first tripper" it is an affair of unique interest and delight. The oldest travelers awaken from their ordinary tolerative lethargy and permit themselves to be drawn into the brilliant saloon, after the manner of blase theater foyer loungers. Even the officers and stewards of the ship welcome the affair as a relief to the monotony of the voyage. And, as I have taken the pains to find out, the generous sums secured from the sale of programmes and the irrevocable "collection" provides for one of the most needful and deserving of all charities pathetically suggested by the endless and dolorous tragedies of the sea.

The proceeds of these "Entertainment Night" collections secured on all steamships plying between New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston and Liverpool, except one, are turned over to the officers of the Liverpool Seamen's Orphan institution, which is almost exclusively supported in this manner. The exception noted is on the part of the Inman line. This line, having American affinities and being largely the property of American owners, bestows one-half of the sums thus collected upon the Liverpool institution and the other half upon the American Blue Anchor society's charity, a kindred institution.

Every American tourist to Europe should visit the Liverpool institution. Its offices are at 14 Water street, not 500 yards from the steamer landing, where the secretary, Captain Edward Stubbs, R. N., will extend every possible courtesy, as all the officers of the orphanage are peculiarly grateful to Americans, for without their contributions the grand work of this charity would wholly fail, and everything possible is done by Captain Stubbs, Sir James Poole, the treasurer, and Rev. C. E. Gaussen, the chaplain, to make Americans feel that they have acquired a personal interest in and regard for the institution. I know of no other place in all Britain where an American citizen can experience the same delightful feeling.

The orphanage was founded in 1869 to feed, clothe and educate the destitute or meritorious children of all classes of seamen or seafaring men. It is not restricted to any nationality, though children of seamen who have sailed five years out of the port of Liverpool have the preference. The frequent recurrence of such names as Lund, Lundgren, Schavii, etc., indicates the Scandinavian paternity of many of the children. Recipients of relief are divided into two classes—the children admitted to the institution and those placed on the "outdoor list."

Inability of the widow to support these children is the only qualification. Relief of some kind has never been refused. The boys are retained to the age of fourteen, and are then sent out to trades and other vocations, many securing comfortable clerical positions. The girls, if their mothers wish it, are kept in the institution until they are fifteen, the last year being passed in receiving training in all branches of household work, while school instruction is also continued.

Children on the outdoor list are those whose mothers desire to retain them under their own care. It frequently happens that there is not in the widowed family a child old enough for public school life, or religious difficulties may intervene. Again, there are deaf and dumb children and those who are unfortunately mentally incapacitated from receiving instruction. To meet such cases as these the institution grants an annual allowance of clothing and boots and a monthly allowance of ten shillings. I know of many instances where this cash allowance pays the entire rent and actually keeps a roof over the desolate family's heads. There are no red tape and official captiousness about this. The sole condition of payment of the money is that the child shall produce a certificate of school attendance, providing it be able to attend school.

Of these two classes there are at the present time 360 children in the orphanage and nearly the same number on the outdoor list. An idea of the expenditure for so great and practical a charity can be had from the fact that the annual cost of maintaining each child in the orphanage is a little over sixty dollars, and the annual expense upon each child in the outdoor relief class, including cash allowance and clothing, is forty dollars. About 3,500 children have been cared for in one or the other of these two ways since the organization of the charity. Noble as has been the work accomplished, the need for its extension is pitiful indeed. I have not the figures at hand as to the loss of American seamen, but the returns from the English board of trade are appalling in their evidence of loss of life at sea; for they show that in the nineteen years following the establishment of this orphanage no less than 80,930 seamen died in English ships abroad, of whom 51,156 were drowned.

The eloquence of all these simple facts appeals stirringly to every tender heart.

I went with Captain Stubbs the other day and sat with him while over 350 orphan children, or those who represented them, were paid their monthly allowances. We took a pretty heavy bag of yellow half sovereigns, and pushed our way through the great throng which on the first Saturday of each month gathers at the entrance to the Old Church school, Mourtields, just off Dale street. The outer room was packed, and the society's old inspector, who is a Liverpool ex-police inspector, and knows the ins and outs of every family receiving these payments, was acting the part of bulwark against the surgings of the crowd. We passed into the master's room, and were in a few moments joined by Chaplain Gaussen. Captain Stubbs and myself paid out the money and checked against each payment. The old inspector kept the children and their mothers in line, and got their school certificates ready. Then, as each one came in, the chaplain re-examined the certificates, and a running fire of comment resulted, showing that the exact status of each child, the condition of its health, the occupation of its mother, and the general welfare of the entire family were matters of actual personal knowledge on the part of these officials.

"Ah, Robert, glad to see you. Folks well?" "Thankee, sir; yes, sir." "Good. Tell mother to come Monday for the clothes and boots. Next." "Mrs. Tolmie?" "Thankee, sir; yes, sir;" with a duck and a salaam. "William ill?" "Yes, sir; with the throat, sir." "Doctor?" "Oh, yes, sir; thankee, sir." "All right, William's a good boy. Take care of him, Mrs. Tolmie." "Bless God, so he is; thankee, sir." "Bella Bathgate? And you, too, Mrs. Bathgate? Yes, the child is an honor to you in that suit. How'd you get time to do it? Next." "And here's Sarah Bettley. Well, Sarah, all alone today?" "Yes, sir; thankee, sir. Mother's a job o' scrubbin 'a couldn't come." "All right, my little girl. Hold the money tight for mother." "Richard Rowlands—Richard, a little better work at school or we'll have to cut you off, Richard." "Thankee, sir." "Hellos, Tommy Raffles! Growing to be a man, aren't you? Only three months more on the list, Tommy. Tell mother we'll have Gracie in the orphanage in a few weeks." "Thankee, sir; not a place, sir." "Good boy, Tommy! Next." And so it goes for from one to three hours. But the struggles; the battles for existence; the blessed help this little help is to them all; the eyes suffused with tears; the choked words of gratitude; the pinched and pitiful efforts to come there clean, patched up and deserving; the dolorous dreadful hours in these fatherless homes behind all this woeful procession to the almsgiving, are enough to sicken and sadden strongest hearts.

I have never in any country visited a charitable institution so well adapted to its uses, and where there was such a splendid and universal evidence of one having entered the atmosphere of a Christian home. The first orphanage was an old structure in Duke street. The present one was completed and opened in 1874. It is situated on uninclosed ground, granted by the corporation of Liverpool, surrounded by the ayrean grove, turpid Aleaic, mimic lakes and velvety lawns of beautiful Newsham park. The buildings comprise the orphanage itself, a five story edifice of gray brick with stone trimmings, as sweet as a new laid egg from cellar to garret, one of the handsomest chapels in England, a commodious and beautiful sanitarium and an ivy and rose covered parsonage.

The discipline and regime are faultless. They comprise regular family worship and religious instruction; safe association of the sexes, who take their meals and attend chapel in company; a thorough secular and commercial education; and regular and substantial diet, including three ample meals each day. Health, comfort, happiness and cleanliness are absolutely secured. The dormitories are capacious and even beautiful. There is a basket for clothing under each bed, and each child is allowed a private box with lock and key, where brush and comb, letters, home treasures and all keepsakes are kept. There are a teachers' sitting room and a bedroom off each dormitory, insuring perfect order; and the bathrooms and dressing rooms are perfect and complete.

Extraordinary provisions have been made in this institution for recreation and amusement. The park is the great open air playground for them all. For unpleasant weather there are spacious indoor rooms and gymnasiums for both boys and girls, and a great arched porch extends along the rear of the orphanage open to an immense paved court, very similar to the covered promenade you will find at the entrance to the quadrangle of Eton college, and much on the same plan as that of the ancient English monastic cloisters, which always opened into a beautiful court or garth. Here also, perhaps, to a greater degree than in any other similar institution, the combined elements of drill and music have been utilized. The bearing of these children is exquisitely manful and womanly. The theory and practice are that children can be interested in maneuvers and drills, and all manner of dispositions rendered facile and quiescent under the influence of music. So there is an almost ceaseless series of musical accompaniments—music on rising, music at entering and leaving classes, music at going to and coming from meals, innumerable musical entertainments and soirees, even music on going to bed. I have never known of such a marked and luminous proof of the humanizing and even Christianizing effect of music, and the singing of these 300 or 400 children is alone almost worth coming across the sea to hear.

There are two public services held each Sunday. The afternoon service perhaps attracts the greatest number of visitors. During the voluntary at last is heard the sound of the approaching hundreds of feet as if the footsteps were blended into the echo of one tread. Tramp, tramp, tramp, on they come with heads erect, turning their eyes neither to the right nor the left, with hands crossed behind them, and with the cleanest, brightest faces you ever anywhere looked upon. The boys enter first and occupy the pews of the south transept. The girls follow them, and pass into the north transept aisles. The chaplain robed in plain surplice enters last. The discipline, order and decorum are marvelous. After a short pause, all standing, the children sing with taste and feeling the well known anthem, "I Will Arise and Go to My Father." These who sing have no living fathers this side of the grave. The ordinary shortened service of evening prayer is then proceeded with, and in the responses, reading the psalms and chanting the *Magnificat* and *Nunc dimittis*, the children display intelligence and feeling. But most pathetic of all things here is the plaintive Litany sung immediately after the prayer for those at sea. Your eyes cannot but mist as you look and listen, and you can never cross the ocean again without knowing the real and blessed significance of shipboard "Entertainment Night."

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Every stick a match.
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The best and most useful Holiday Present for your parents or grandparents is a pair of our Solid Gold

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Eyes will be tested and suitable glasses fitted (without extra charge) after the Holidays.
For your sister or brother, daughter or son, a pair of
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PRICES:
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The largest stock in British Columbia.

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THE VICTORIA PUBLIC MARKET
Will be Ready for Occupation on or about **19th Inst.**
List of Rents for Stalls and Stores can be seen at the office of the "Inspector of Buildings," Wm. W. Northcott, City Hall, who will be pleased to give all necessary information. Call at once and secure your Stall.
By order, WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
City Clerk's Office, Dec. 8, 1891. C.M.C.

XMAS 1891
J. P. MATTHEWS & CO.,
CORNER FORT AND DOUGLAS STS.
desire to announce that they have a large consignment of Groceries and Provisions and in order to dispose of same before stock taking, **make a Special Reduction for CASH** during the balance of year 1891 as follows:—

Ogilvie's Hungarian Flour, $6.40 per bbl, or $1.65 per sack.	7 cans Sweet Peas for $1.00.
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7 cans Tomatoes for $1.00.	3 lbs. C. & B. Mixed Peel, $1.00.
7 cans Sweet Corn for $1.00.	16½ lbs. Granulated Sugar, $1.00.
	12 lbs. Pearl Sago, $1.00.
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	18 lbs. Rolled Oats, $1.00.

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A full line of fine
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It will pay you to call and examine our goods and prices.
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DOANE BLOCK, DOUGLAS ST., NEAR JOHNSON.
NEW STORE—NEW GOODS—NEW PRICES
BOOTS AND SHOES MADE TO ORDER.
REPAIRING DONE AS IT SHOULD BE.

LEGAL NOTICES.

PRIVATE BILL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session for an Act to incorporate Mary Ellen McTucker (known in religion as Sister Mary Providence) and other persons now members or hereafter to become members of the Roman Catholic congregation of the Sisters of Saint Ann with power to receive, take, and hold by gift, leave, purchase, devise or otherwise real and personal estate of every description and with full power and authority to grant, sell and dispose of the same by sale, mortgage or otherwise.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1891.

S. PERRY MILLS.
46 Longley street, Victoria, Solicitor for the applicants. dec11-2m

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 60 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for the purchase of the following described land, situated on Barclay Sound. Commencing at the southwest corner of Indian Reserve, Uchucklesit Harbor; following the shore line 20 chains southwesterly more or less; thence 15 chains west to shore line of Rainy Bay; thence 80 chains northwesterly along shore; thence 40 chains east to northeast corner of Indian Reserve; thence south 70 chains following Indian Reserve line to point of commencement. Containing about 160 acres, more or less.

GEO. A. COOPER.
Victoria, B.C., Nov. 5, 1891. no5

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a timber-cutting license over the following described tract of land situate at the head of Evans Bay, Reid Island, Sayward District:

Commencing at the southwest corner of Lot 20, Sayward District; thence west 60 chains; thence north 160 chains; thence east 80 chains; south to the northern boundary line of said Lot 20; thence west and south along the boundary line of said Lot 20 to point of commencement; said to contain 1000 acres, more or less.

M. KING.
Dec. 8, 1891. de9tm

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria at its next regular meeting for a transfer of our license to sell intoxicating liquor at the "Mirror" Saloon, Yates street, corner Broad, to James Munger and Alexander G. Black.

W. R. MUNGER.
JAMES MUNGER.
no18-td

NOTICE.

FROM AND AFTER THIS DATE I SHALL not be responsible for any debts contracted without my written authority.

W. F. TOLMIE.
Victoria Sept. 2, 1891. se2-tf

NOTICE.

I WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY debts contracted by my wife or any other person on her behalf.

JOHN J. RUSSELL,
Strawberry Vale Farm
Victoria Dec. 11, 1890. de12-2f

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria for a retail license to sell wines, liquors &c., by the bottle only on the premises situate at 64 Douglas street, Victoria, B. C.

CALIFORNIA WINE CO.
per C. F. Jacobsen,
Manager.
nov18-tf

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Applications will be received at the office of the undersigned until the

23rd of Dec., inst.

—FOR THE—

PURCHASE

—OF—

DEBENTURES

—OF THE—

Corporation of the City of Victoria, amounting to twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), issued under authority of the British Columbia Agricultural Association Loan By-Law and the Municipal Act, 1891.

Any information required will be supplied on application to the undersigned. The highest or any bid not necessarily accepted.

By order,
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C.M.C.
City Clerk's office,
December 10th, 1891. de17

CITY POUND.

NOTICE, IN POUND: One bay horse with white face and three white feet, will be sold at auction December 30th, Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon if not redeemed and pound charges paid on or before that date, by order of Mayor and Aldermen.

ANDREW SHAW,
Poundkeeper.
dec16-td

MUNICIPAL.

The Voter's List for the Election of Mayor and Aldermen for the year 1892 in this city is open for inspection at my office.

Notice of Complaint against said list must be handed in at the City Clerk's office not later than the 19th instant.

JOHN GRANT,
Mayor.
d16-td

MUNICIPAL.

NO. 133.

A BY-LAW

Appointing three Commissioners of Sewers.

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. That Thomas Earle, M.P., J. H. Turner, M.P.P., and John Teague, Esq., Senior, are hereby appointed Commissioners to manage and superintend, as hereinafter prescribed, the construction of sewerage and drainage works for the benefit of the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

2. The duties of the said Commissioners shall be to examine all accounts and claims in respect of the sewers of the said City and to certify same; to sign all cheques drawn in respect of said accounts and claims, said cheques to be countersigned by the Mayor for the time being of the City, and to see that all moneys voted for sewerage purposes be not expended otherwise than for sewerage purposes; to settle all disputes which may from time to time arise between the engineer in charge inspector, or inspectors, or either of them and any contractor or contractors for any work in connection with said sewers, and report the same through the City Clerk to the Municipal Council of said Corporation, and the decision of said Commissioners shall be final.

3. The said Commissioners shall have power to reject any or all work or material, performed or used, and materials proposed to be used in any such work, that is not in their opinion in accordance with the plans and specifications, or either of them.

4. If the said Commissioners shall be of opinion that any assistant engineer or inspector of works is not acting for the best interests of the said City, they shall call thereto the attention of the engineer in charge of said works, and through him order the discharge of said assistant engineer or inspector of works.

5. The said Commissioners shall meet at least once in each month, and at any other time at the call of the Secretary upon reasonable notice.

6. The City Clerk shall act as Secretary at all meetings of said Commissioners.

7. The Secretary shall call a meeting of the Commissioners whenever requested so to do by the Commissioners or the engineer in charge of the works.

8. The said Commissioners shall be appointed by the Council of the said Corporation, and shall hold office for the period prescribed and limited in and otherwise under and subject to the provisions of sub-section 97 of Section 90 of the "Municipal Act, 1892."

The remuneration of the said Commissioners shall be $10 each for each and every meeting of the said Commissioners duly convened.

This By-Law may be cited as the "Commissioners of Sewers Appointment By-Law, 1891."

Passed the Municipal Council the 18th day of November, A.D. 1891.

Re-considered and finally passed the Council this 25th day of November, A.D., 1891.

[L.S.] JOHN GRANT,
Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C.M.C.
no27

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

W. H. BAINBRIDGE, Secretary of the B.C. Pottery and Terra Cotta Works, the B.C. Agricultural Association, and the Victoria Jockey Club, has removed his offices to the

JEWELL BLOCK, DOUGLAS STREET. no19-t

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED up to 12 o'clock noon of Saturday, Dec. 26th, 1891, for the erection and completion of a brick and stone building to be built at corner of Johnson and Store streets.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Plans and specifications can be seen at my office.

THOMAS HOOPER,
Architect.
Over Spencer's Arcade. de17-4t

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"Nanaimo" Coal can be obtained from W. T. Drake.
SAMUEL M. ROBINS,
Superintendent.

HUDSON BAY COMPANY.

A Lively Time at the London Meeting—The Governor's Report.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A lively Hudson Bay meeting was held to-day, lasting two hours. Sir Donald Smith presiding. He regretted that there had been a diminution of land sales, but nearly all the land companies suffered similarly. The board was considering a proposal to advertise the company's lands more largely in Britain. The meeting would be much gratified to learn that £3000 had been saved during the past two years by the reconstruction of the land department at Winnipeg. Under Mr. Chipman, the new commissioner, the ultimate prospects of the company were good. The report was adopted.

On motion to re-elect Sir Donald Smith to the board, Mr. MacLean opened a vigorous and sometimes heated debate on Sir Donald's course as governor. Mr. MacLean denounced the policy of the board as one of obstruction and concealment. He congratulated the company on the good effects of bringing new blood into the management.

Mr. Boyle and other speakers regretted this personal attack on Sir Donald Smith.

Sir Donald, replying amid cheers, reminded the meeting of MacLean's support of him three years ago. The effects of the new policy would not be apparent in so short a time. As to the alleged conflicting interests which he was said to represent he would say that he held £120,000 in Hudson Bay stock; that showed where his interests lay. The dividends paid during the four years of his chief commissionership evidenced his business capacity and knowledge of the needs of the company.

The speech was much applauded, and was followed by a vote of thanks to Sir Donald and his re-election to the board. Coles and Grant were also re-elected.

Following is the report of the governor and committee of the company submitted to the shareholders:

In accordance with the requirements of the company's charter, the governor and committee have issued the usual notice calling a meeting of the proprietors for the purpose of electing members of the board. The directors retiring on this occasion are Sir Donald A. Smith, governor, Mr. Thomas R. Grant and Mr. John Coles, who, being eligible, will be proposed for re-election.

The board have to report the safe arrival of the company's ship from Hudson Bay and Labrador, with portions of the returns of the current outfit, and they are glad to state that the barque Prince Rupert, which was detained in the bay last year in consequence of heavy ice in Hudson's Straits, has also arrived and landed her cargo in good order. The total quantities of the company to be sold next spring are, in excess of those of last year. They include, however, the furs received per Prince Rupert, which in the ordinary course should have been brought to market last year, and which had been placed on valuation in closing the accounts. Deducting the quantities included in that shipment, this year's importations are somewhat below the average.

The company's land sales for the seven months ending the 31st October last show a falling off, more especially in town lots, when compared with the corresponding period of last year, the figures being:—

10,310 acres farm lands		$ 67,241
14 lots in Winnipeg	$14,300	
74 lots in minor towns	10,784	
		$ 25,084
		$ 92,325
As compared with		
13,313 acres farm lands		$ 76,828
37 lots in Winnipeg	$82,900	
80 lots in minor towns	18,705	
		$101,605
		$178,433

for the same period in 1890.

It is satisfactory, however, to be able to report that the cash receipts during the same seven months on account of instalments on land sales for 1891, amount to $84,808, as compared with $70,595 for the same months in 1890.

Reports of the last season's crops in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories show substantial and satisfactory results, which are calculated to lead not only to an increased demand for land, but to a good winter and spring trade.

As already reported, the board have effected a marked reduction in the expenses of the land department within the past two years, and by placing the management of that department under the new commissioner, Mr. Chipman, and by concentrating the offices at Winnipeg under one roof, the cost of management will be still further reduced. In consultation with Mr. Chipman the board are also maturing plans for pressing forward and increasing the sale of the company's land.

Application having been made to the board for details relating to the taxes levied upon the company's landed property by the various municipalities and school districts, the following particulars for the year ending 31st March, 1891, are submitted for the information of the shareholders:—

785,029 acres farm lands assessed at	$ 2,550,000
Taxes, $30,000.	
Town lots assessed at	$ 1,612,500
Taxes, $20,125.	

The total quantity of surveyed land now belonging to the company amounts to 3,112,000 acres.

The draft supplemental charter is still before the Crown authorities. The board regret the delay which, however, is entirely beyond their control. At the earliest date possible they will submit the draft for the consideration of the shareholders at a special meeting to be called for that purpose.

The right of inspection by shareholders of the share register has again been strongly urged on the board by some proprietors. To enable this to be effected, the necessary amendment in the by-laws will be proposed by the directors at the special meeting.

On behalf of the committee.

DONALD A. SMITH,
Governor.

An Important Decision.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 18.—Great excitement was created yesterday at Pierre and other South Dakota towns by advices from Washington to the Pierre land office that the assistant attorney general has decided that Jane Waldron, a half-breed woman, was born a citizen of the United States, and that her claim that she is an Indian by virtue of being born of an Indian mother cannot be allowed, and she can no longer be permitted to draw rations and annuity or receive land in severalty. Hundreds of bloods like Mrs. Waldron have occupied all of the choicest and most valuable tracks of land, some of which, lying opposite Pierre, have already advanced many thousands of dollars in value.

All nervous disorders, all diseases peculiar to women, such as bearing down pains, suppressions of the periods and weak nerves, can be thoroughly cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Try them.

Wisdom's Violet Cream

Is the most exquisite preparation in the world for softening the hands and face. It is not only a substitute for, but in every respect superior to glycerine, cold cream, vaseline, and like preparations. Try it. D. E. Campbell, agent.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

SOME BIG FIGURES.

THE capital surplus of the banks of California is nearly $85,000,000.

The negroes of the United States now pay taxes on $264,000,000 worth of property.

IN thirty-three years $30,000,000 has been expended on London's drainage system.

ACCORDING to the most recent census returns London has a population of 4,500,000, Paris of 2,450,000, Berlin of 1,524,585, and St. Petersburg of 1,000,000.

ACCORDING to the census bureau the real estate mortgage debt in Illinois on January 1, 1890, was $284,299,260, that of Cook county (Chicago) being $191,514,200, or 49.84 per cent. of the whole debt.

THE estimate of the world's population in 1890 stands as follows: Europe, 380,200,000; Asia, 850,000,000; Africa, 127,000,000; Australasia, 4,730,000; North America, 89,250,000; South America, 36,410,000; total, 1,487,000,000.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Victorian from the Sound—Mrs Stevens, S Malvey, Dr Leach, Mrs Vincent, D Fairchild, H Sevyne, Geo Willard, M J Lytle, Miss Davey, E E Evens, E Hinchliff, D Crist, F W Wallace, J W Brown, Mrs Johnson, H Schevabre.

Per str. City of Kingston from the Sound—A B Bowling, R D Balding, Callie Crockett, W Redfern, M B Rugg, H Benfield, Miss Martin, Barnard, Paul Hennessy, O C Hastings, R Sundback, N Fritzstubbs, Geo Collard, P H Mayo and wife, R A Chisholm, Thos Ryan, Herman Deitstel, R Stubby, G W Sprost, Archdeacon Scriven, Oliver Ward, B Cameron and wife, Paul Steviing, Mrs Lawdes, R B Attridge, A Scruggs and wife, N D McAulley, Mrs Schl and two daughters, Mrs Russell, [illegible]

Per Steamer Islander from Vancouver—W Lettler, W H Wilkinson, W Kurtz, M Kalmaner, J Soulice, Mr Clure, Mrs Sherwood, F G Braze, M J Maloney, Annie Jones, O Searnisch, M A Morrison, Miss Hussey, A Stewart, G Scott, Thos McCrea, Lillie M Matthews, Miss Yates, Miss Snider, Capt Behnson, W J Phillips Major Wilson, Officer Driscoll, W Munroe, G A Jordan, W P Noble and wife, Ven Archdeacon Woods, G Reilly, T F McGuigan, A C Fraser, E M Wiltshire, Mrs Miller, and child, Ida B Harris, F W Foster, A Gonnasson, D McPherson, F M Yorke, H E Field, Rev Hewitson, M Curker, Jas Buchanan, Miss Woods, M J Appleby, Dr McGuigan, W Warren, L M R Walker, Mr Butler.

CONSIGNEES.

Per str. City of Kingston from the Sound—H Young & Co, R J Turnbull, Lenz & Leiser, T W Hart, R A Brown & Co, Matthews R & T, Albion Iron Works, Braden & Stamford, Weiler Bros, McA Maya, Oppenheimer Bros, Daily Times, Jno Wilson, Colbert & Warner, T G Brown & Co, Ida Whitehead, R J Moffatt, Simon Leiser, McLennan & McFeeley, Perry & H, W Ralph, A Shaw, Page & Son, R Gordon.

Per steamer Islander from Vancouver—Order Coal In Bet, Weiler Bros, McLennan & McFeeley, Lowe & Allice, Mrs Blackburn, B & Stamford, Schl, Hastie & Erskine, Eli Bean, G Phillips, Lange & Co, Macauley & Higginbothain, H B Co, W G Ritchie, J H Todd & Son, R Jamieson, Hy Jewell, Miss M McGregor, Cor of Victoria, J Barnsley, S McCraley, Rev Thos Crosby, E F Marvin, Waller & Downes, H Courtney, O Johnson, F Norris, D H Ross, K & Minor, H A Fox, Thompson & King, David Spencer, Merchants Bank, Boucherat & Co, John Coet, Allan G Frances, Order, Williams & Co, Gilmore and McCandless, J W Mellor, L & Leiser, H Bornstein, E G Prior, H Maxwell, Kerr & Begg, H Saunders, Jas Gorsoner, R Baker & Son, L G Henderson, Hans Helgersen, Dom Exp Co.

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EVERY [illegible] will cause [illegible] will ask him what will be suitable for her "Johnnie," and

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Just [illegible] a bigger man than Sec. Blaine or Gov. McKinley Bill, and recognizing the unusual demand for his services, we have retained them and he will be found constantly at our store from now until December 24th at midnight. He has our holiday stock directly in charge, and will be glad to serve you all.

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SAMUEL M. ROBINS,
Superintendent.

Dec. 30.

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Dec. 3.

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WHARF AND WAVE.

Jottings of Interest to Marine Men Concisely Compiled.

The tug Virgil Price, run down by the Olympian some weeks ago, is to be raised again.

The troopship Tyne sailed from Halifax last Monday for England with the British sailors brought across the continent from the Pacific. One man who was suffering from consumption and had been ill all the way from the West, died on board the Tyne, before she sailed.

News from Manzanilla states that the steamer Roseville, which had gone to tow the capsized brig Tahati to port, returned unsuccessful, the tow lines not being strong enough. She will start again soon. The Tahiti is bottom up. It is believed that when righted a number of bodies will be found in the hold. She had six hundred persons on board, all of whom are probably lost.

HOQUIAM, Dec. 17.—The tug Astoria, which was badly crippled by the steamer Wilmington while lying at the Astoria wharf ten days ago, has been sufficiently patched up to make the trip to Hoquiam yesterday, where she is on the ways undergoing repairs. It is reported that the damage, which was at first estimated at $16,000, has since been settled for $5000.

NEWPORT, Or., Dec. 17.—A wreck came ashore about six miles south of Newport, near Cape Foulweather, on Tuesday night. The vessel is a total wreck, and the beach is strewn with thousands of feet of dressed and rough lumber. It is supposed to be the bark General Butler, which went ashore off Cape Arago a week ago. Though a life preserver marked New York was found, some of her spars and lumber have drifted into Yaquina Bay.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Four more deep-water vessels came in last night, making fifty-four for the day. Among them was the British ship City of Beuares from Antwerp. She put into the Falkland Islands on September 16th, on account of mutiny by the crew. The men were caught broaching the cargo, and when accused by the captain broke out into open mutiny. An effort was made to put a part of the crew in irons, but the men resisted and the officers were rather roughly used. On reaching Port Stanley seven of the mutineers were taken ashore, tried and sentenced to six months' hard labor.

None of the pilots who quit on the Puget Sound and Alaska Steamship Company's boats when the tie-up was ordered, and whose places were filled by other men, have been restored to their positions as yet. Capt. D. B. Jackson, manager of the company says: "We have no vacancies at present. Some very good men left our employ and we filled their places. I do not propose to discharge a man without just cause. Whenever we have vacancies I will be glad to hire those old men again, but at the present time we have no openings for them."

Guilty of Murder.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The jury in the case of Noah Richards, who has been on trial in the Court of Oyer and Terminer for the murder of policeman John J. Sherman, this morning brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree.

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WEATHER REPORT.

VICTORIA, B.C., Dec. 19, 1891.
Corrected by F. C. Gamble, C. E.

Time.	Thermometer.	Bar.	Wind.	Remarks.
1p.m.	45	29.81	S.E by S	Overcast
6p.m.	45	29.79	S by E	Cloudy
Midnt.	44	29.79	S W	Raining
6a.m.	41	29.75	S W	Cloudy
1p.m.	43	29.82	S W by S	"

Temperature—Highest, 46; lowest, 41.
Rain, 0.25 inch.

TIDE RECORD—VICTORIA HARBOR, B.C.
For 24 hours ending 1 p.m. Dec. 19, 1891.

FRIDAY, Dec. 18.				SATURDAY, Dec. 19.			
hrs.	Tide ft. above datum.	hrs.	Tide ft. above datum.	hrs.	Tide ft. above datum.	hrs.	Tide ft. above datum.
1	5.42	8	4.42	1	1.83	8	8.00
2	9.66	9	2.66	2	3.66	9	8.92
3	9.50	10	1.50	3	6.42	10	9.00
4	9.00	11	1.00	4	5.75	11	9.00
5	8.50	12	1.00	5	7.00	12	8.75
6	7.42			6	7.75	1	8.75
7	6.00			7	8.25		

FROM THE STAR CHAMBER.

The Education Department's Christmas Gift to Principal McLeod.

Mr. J. P. McLeod, principal of the High School, yesterday received the following document from the Education Department:—

EDUCATION OFFICE, VICTORIA,
17th December, 1891.

SIR,—By direction of the Council of Public Instruction I have the honor to enclose you herewith a copy of a report of the Council of Public Instruction adjudicating upon the charges made by you against the Education Department, and I am instructed to draw your attention to the requirement by the Council of a retraction upon your part, and to state that the same must be delivered at this office within the time specified in the report.

Yours truly,
S. D. POPE,
Secretary Council of Public Instruction.

J. P. McLeod, Esq.,
Principal High School, City.

The report of the Council mentioned in this note is as follows:—

At a meeting of the Council of Public Instruction, held on the 27th of November, 1891, for the investigation of the charges preferred by the Board of School Trustees of Victoria against the Education Department as contained in the resolution of the board at a meeting held on the 1st of September, ult., and as repeated in a resolution passed by the board at a meeting held on the 20th of October, ult., to the effect following, viz:—

"That it was found by the board, on unimpeachable evidence, that the schools had been unsatisfactorily examined and badly graded; that practices existed calculated to cast reflections on high grade teachers; and, generally, that the progress of education was retarded by methods lately adopted in examining and grading school."

The Council was upon request furnished with a copy of the evidence referred to as that upon which their charges were based. Such evidence was found to consist of the statements of Messrs. J. P. McLeod and Netherby in reply to questions put to them by members of the board, the statement of Mr. McLeod being supplementary to his letter following:—

"Victoria, July 27 1891.

"SIR,—The last examination for promotion in the High School was conducted by the Department of Education some three or four weeks before the end of the term. The papers were set by the Department, the returns of the examinations were made out by the Department, and their correctness certified to by the Superintendent of Education. The promotions were made by the Superintendent and were based on the marks obtained by the pupils at the examination.

"In this the Superintendent violated two of his own rules, viz.:

"(1) That the principal of a school must prepare the questions for the promotion examinations.

"(2) That promotions are made by the principal with the approval of the Superintendent of Education.

"The Superintendent has the right to hold any examination he may think proper to hold in any school in British Columbia, but I maintain that if he sees fit to deprive me of the power of promoting he has no authority to confer that power on other teachers in Victoria, be they in or out of the High School. The examination above referred to was not a promotion examination at all.

"To explain:—The pupils of the third division received instruction in fifteen (15) subjects. Although they had been attending the school for only five months, yet in eleven out of the fifteen subjects they were examined on precisely the same questions as were pupils of the first division, who had been attending the school for years.

"The Latin papers given in by the pupils of the third division could not have been examined. No manipulations of marks could have produced such extraordinary results.

"As my action in bringing this and other matters to the notice of the Board of Trustees has been criticised, I wish to state that I am not aware of any other board or body of men that has been specially constituted to look after the schools of the city of Victoria.

"I am, sir, your obedient servant,
"J. P. McLEOD.

"R. ERSKINE, Esq.,
"Sec'y Bd. of Trustees."

The Council having heard Mr. McLeod in substantiation of his charges, and the other witnesses in relation thereto, find:—

1. That the rules made by the Superintendent apply to the principals of graded schools and not to principals of High Schools, who are otherwise regulated.

2. That the Superintendent did not and could not deprive Mr. McLeod of the power of promoting and inconsistently with such action confer it upon other teachers, inasmuch as such power is not conferred upon principals of High Schools, but is and has been exercised solely by the Department of Education and in such a manner and through such agents as its discretion dictates.

3. That the course pursued by the Department at the last promotion examination of setting the same papers on 11 subjects to all three divisions of the High School is a proper, reasonable and just one, inasmuch as the subjects upon which such papers were set belong to the elementary English branches, upon which pupils are examined for entrance to the High School, and as a practice in accordance with the same principle obtains and has been found to work no injustice in the examination of candidates for teachers' certificates, applicants for all grades of certificates taking the same papers in these 11 subjects.

4. That the Latin papers given in by pupils in the third divisions were marked by Mr. Netherby, a competent examiner, and the awards made by him separately reviewed upon the request of the Department by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, M.A. (Oxon), Mr. D. W. Wilson, B.A., and Mr. John Anderson, B.A., who all concur in certifying to their general correctness.

5. That no remediable defects were shown to exist in the method of grading the schools adopted by the Department nor in the results of such method, nor was any alteration suggested or (except in the case of Mr. McLeod) deemed necessary by the witnesses who appeared before the council.

The Council therefore concludes that Mr. McLeod has failed to substantiate any of the statements made by him in his letter to the trustees and reiterated on his appearance before that body.

The Council also concludes that the charges made by the Board of Trustees in their to resolutions aforesaid have not been supported or in the slightest degree proved by the evidence which was laid before them, but, on the contrary, the administration by the Education Department of the School Act and the methods which they have adopted, which have been but slightly modified during recent years, is not open to any of the above charges, or to the further charges of meddling in the case of Victoria "to nullify the effects of the expenditure of much money and of the efforts of the teaching ability of this city."

The Council further finds that Mr. McLeod has been guilty of gross insubordination and unprofessional conduct in the following particulars:—

(1) In making unfounded representation in regard to school matters and management to the Board of School Trustees.

(2) In misrepresenting the actions of the Education Department in the public press, and

(3) In refusing to answer questions put to him before the Council or to there produce information which he alleges is in his possession which would prove the charges he had made or to otherwise substantiate such charges.

In view of the circumstances of the case the Council of Public Instruction recommends that Mr. McLeod be called upon to furnish a full and complete retraction of the unfounded statements herein alluded to within one week from the time of a copy of this report being delivered to him.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World Here and Elsewhere.

THE RING.

CORBETT AND MITCHELL.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Up to a late hour last night the steamship Britannic, on which are Charlie Mitchell and Frank P. Stavin, the pugilists, had not been sighted. They will probably be in this city to-day, however, when Corbett intends to have a personal talk with Mitchell regarding his proposed match with the Englishman. Corbett said yesterday that he was ready to fight Mitchell for any amount up to $10,000, and that he did not see how Mitchell could back out after his recent warlike statements.

THE OAR.

Alex McLean came down from the Mainland last night and will go into training for his race with Seeley.

It is reported that Dan McLeod will soon challenge Alex. McLean to a three-mile skiff race. Dan is evidently coming out as a boat puller, and he may make a mark in that line, as his splendid build and powerful frame will give him an advantage over less muscular men.

Immediately after the race between Seeley and McLean, which takes place over the harbor course on Tuesday afternoon, Chas. Bush and Dan McLeod will row a three mile race in outrigged skiffs.

THE GUN.

After to-morrow the deer of British Columbia will have a rest, lasting until the 1st of September, 1892, the game act making it unlawful to shoot them between December 20th and September 1st. A number of nimrods went out to-day to have a last shot.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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BOSSI—At El Paso de Robles, California, on the 15th instant, Americo, only son of G. and R. Bossi of this city, aged 30 years.

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W. A. BISSETT.
Victoria, Dec. 19th, 1891. dec19

DRAWING.

The 54th drawing for an Appropriation in the Vancouver Island Building Society will be held in Sir William Wallace Society's Hall, Broad street, at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 29th December, 1891.

See that your shares are in good standing.

B. WILLIAMS,
d19 Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

A.O.U.W.

THE members of Victoria Lodge No. 19, and Vancouver Lodge No. 77, are urgently requested to attend the regular meeting of the first named Lodge on Wednesday evening, 23rd inst., at Foresters' hall at 7:30 o'clock, to consider as to the advisability of forming a Grand Lodge Jurisdiction of British Columbia. This question being of vital importance, demands immediate attention of every member.

H. JEWELL,
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